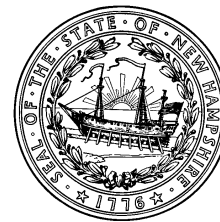


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NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – January 17, 2021

Concord, NH – The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has issued the following update on the new coronavirus, COVID-19.

On Sunday, January 17, 2021, DHHS announced 941 new positive test results for COVID-19, for a current PCR test positivity rate of 6.4%. Today's results include 660 people who tested positive by PCR test and 281 who tested positive by antigen test. There are now 6,387 current COVID-19 cases diagnosed in New Hampshire. Of the results reported today:

- **1/6:** 133 new cases today, for an updated total of **726** cases
- **1/7:** 36 new cases today, for an updated total of **880** cases
- **1/15:** 467 new cases today, for an updated total of **515** cases
- **1/16:** **305** new cases

Test results for previous days are still being processed and the total number of new positives for those days are not yet complete. Updated case counts for prior days will be reflected on the [COVID-19 interactive dashboard](#).

Several cases are still under investigation. Additional information from ongoing investigations will be incorporated into future COVID-19 updates. Of those with complete information, there are one hundred and thirty individuals under the age of 18 and the rest are adults with 50% being female and 50% being male. The new cases reside in Rockingham (191), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (159), Merrimack (95), Strafford (69), Cheshire (60), Carroll (44), Belknap (43), Grafton (37), Sullivan (27), and Coos (21) counties, and in the cities of Manchester (90) and Nashua (64). The county of residence is being determined for forty-one new cases.

Community-based transmission continues to occur in the State and has been identified in all counties. Of those with complete risk information, most of the cases have either had close contact with a person with a confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis or are associated with an outbreak setting.

DHHS has also announced six additional deaths related to COVID-19. We offer our sympathies to the family and friends.

- 1 male resident of Belknap County, 60 years of age and older
- 1 female resident of Coos County, 60 years of age and older
- 2 male residents of Cheshire County, 60 years of age and older
- 1 male resident of Hillsborough County, 60 years of age and older
- 1 male resident of Rockingham County, 60 years of age and older

There are currently 243 individuals hospitalized with COVID-19. In New Hampshire since the start of the pandemic, there have been a total of 56,864 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed.

Current Situation in New Hampshire

New Hampshire 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Summary Report (updated January 17, 2021, 9:00 AM)

NH Persons with COVID-19	56,864
Recovered	49,544 (87%)
Deaths Attributed to COVID-19	933 (2%)
Total Current COVID-19 Cases	6,387
Current Hospitalizations	243
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) ₂	564,774
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Antibody Laboratory Tests ₂	35,642
Persons with Specimens Submitted to NH PHL	N/A
Persons with Test Pending at NH PHL ₃	129

₁Includes specimens positive at any laboratory and those confirmed by CDC confirmatory testing.

₂Includes specimens tested at the NH Public Health Laboratories (PHL), LabCorp, Quest, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, and those sent to CDC prior to NH PHL testing capacity.

₃Includes specimens received and awaiting testing at NH PHL. Does not include tests pending at commercial laboratories.

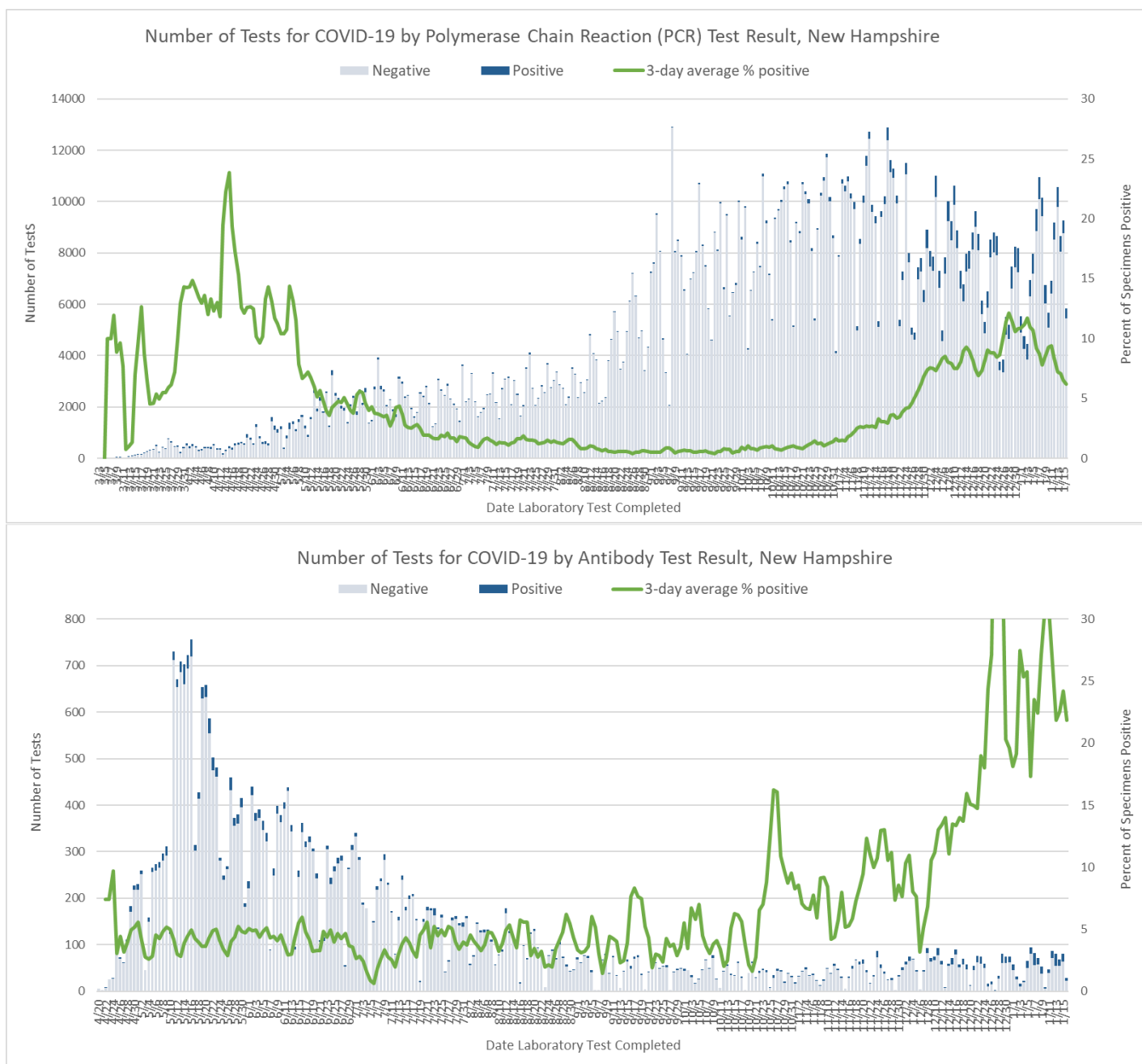
Number of Tests Conducted by Date of Report to NH DHHS

Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Tests								
Testing Laboratory	1/10	1/11	1/12	1/13	1/14	1/15	1/16	Daily Average
NH Public Health Laboratories	674	124	673	853	983	844	742	699
LabCorp	1,824	1,723	1,689	1,829	1,567	1,047	1,480	1,594
Quest Diagnostics	1,349	1,011	806	1,060	1,168	1,134	795	1,046
Mako Medical	32	22	252	794	911	150	229	341
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	411	313	502	1,054	606	662	85	519
Other NH Hospital Laboratory	302	402	576	601	502	467	304	451
Other Laboratory*	1,087	1,626	3,534	3,605	1,683	3,838	2,166	2,506
University of New Hampshire**	0	1,701	1,153	753	1,233	1,135	24	857
Total	5,679	6,922	9,185	10,549	8,653	9,277	5,825	8,013
Antibody Laboratory Tests								
Testing Laboratory	1/10	1/11	1/12	1/13	1/14	1/15	1/16	Daily Average
LabCorp	3	4	23	14	18	21	0	12
Quest Diagnostics	3	6	41	30	31	41	27	26
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	0	5	5	10	11	5	2	5
Other Laboratory*	3	22	10	21	4	7	0	10
Total	9	37	79	75	64	74	29	52

* Includes out-of-state public health laboratories, out-of-state hospital laboratories, and other commercial laboratories not already listed in the table.

Note: Patients who had both antibody and polymerase chain reaction (PCR) tests are accounted for in both tables.

** Includes tests conducted at the UNH laboratory and their contracted lab Veritas.



[NH DHHS Daily Update on COVID-19 Archive](#)

For more information, please visit the DHHS COVID-19 webpage at <https://www.nh.gov/covid19>.

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